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Command sets policy for making up missed training

WASHINGTON – Air Force reservists who have been mobilized or demobilized or who served on voluntary military personnel appropriation tours in support of a contingency since Oct. 1 will not perform an annual tour between now and Sept. 30.

Lt. Gen. James E. Sherrard III, commander of Air Force Reserve Command, approved a policy May 16 that exempts their annual tours and does not permit making up missed inactive duty for training days because of activation. Unit reservists and individual mobilization augmentees will receive “constructive credit” for missed IDTs.

After demobilization, reservists who want to perform IDTs will have them prorated based on their IDT requirements. For example, a reservist required to perform 48 IDTs per year (four drills per month for 12 months), who is demobilized June 15, would have a 12-point requirement through September. That’s four drills each month in July, August and September. Although June 15 makes a partial month, it is considered a full month of service for the purpose of prorating.

Unit reservists on active-duty MPA or reserve personnel appropriation orders in support of contingency operations are considered constructively present and therefore ineligible to reschedule missed IDTs.

Command officials in Washington, D.C., said the participation policy for the fiscal year of Oct. 1, 2002, to Sept. 30, 2003, is designed to use available funds efficiently and to ensure people receive credit for time they served on active duty. (AFRC News Service)



Photo by Maj. Jerry Lobb

Welcome home !

Command Chief Master Sgt. Amos Moore greets 908th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron flight nurse Capt. Milagros Weathers as 908th Airlift Wing Commander Col. James Stewart and 908th Operations Group Commander Col. Norman Bell greet aeromedical technician Staff Sgt. Sean Scarcliff. Weathers and Scarcliff were among the 10

908th members returning from supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom May 4. They cared for patients aboard aircraft flying from Iraq and surrounding nations to Germany, where additional medical care was provided for injured soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines.

Plan aims to put AEF back on track, fix ‘disparity’

By Master Sgt. Scott Elliott
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON —

While many deployed airmen are returning from Operation Iraqi Freedom to hero’s welcomes, others deployed for as much as three times longer are still waiting to hear when they’ll go home.

What appears to some as an obvious disparity is actually a case of differing mission objectives, said the general in charge

of air and space expeditionary force policy.

“The issue is, ‘What job were these people sent to do,’” said Maj. Gen. Timothy A. Peppe, special assistant for AEF matters at the Pentagon. “Some of the people in OIF are already home because that operation went so well and so quickly that the combatant commander was able to release them.

“There is a differ-

ence for Operation Enduring Freedom folks. Those people are filling a requirement that hasn’t changed. They will rotate when the Air Force has the combatant commanders’ requirements worldwide and develops the rotation to support them.”

Besides manning requirements for OEF and OIF, a recent increase in Pacific Air Forces fur-

ther strained the AEF rotation schedule. On top of that, Peppe said, the service is obligated to provide about 1,700 people to augment the staffs of component and combatant commanders worldwide.

“It’s not just the people in Afghanistan,” Peppe said. “Anyone the AEF supports will be caught up in this.”

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Be safe, stay alert, we can't let our guard down



By Col. James Stewart
908th Airlift Wing commander

Thanks to all 908th members who were responsible for organizing and putting on a great "Family Day" event. When the weather forced us to go to plan "B", I was proud to see the teamwork displayed by all of you in order to make sure the day was a success. You accomplished your mission! Thanks for a GREAT day.

A short note on safety.....beginning on May 23rd, we entered the 101 Critical Days of Summer. It's a sombering fact, but more accidents occur during this period than any other throughout the year. Working outdoors

with lawn equipment, taking boats and jet skis out on the lake or ocean, and just playing softball can be hazardous to your health. Statistics show that many of us don't make safety a priority when we're out working and playing hard during the summer months. I'd like each of you to use that risk management training you've received and pause to analyze the risks, before taking action. Those few moments may save you from months spent recovering from painful injuries or worse yet, death! Enjoy your summer, but be safe!

Finally, we will be conducting an attack response exercise this

UTA. This will be our first exercise in some time, and we'll have many new members sitting in the Wing Operations Center and Survival Recovery Center. I expect we'll make some mistakes and be a bit slow and rusty since we haven't exercised these groups for some time. However, I hope to fix the problems on-the-spot and record the lessons learned so we will do better the next time. I want everyone's best effort! Remember....the War on Terrorism is still on-going and we cannot let our guard down. We must remain true to our wing motto, **READY....ALWAYS!** Have a great UTA.



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'I'm doing fine, I'm feeling great' -- Chaplain Bob

By the time you read this article I will be about 90 days post heart attack and open heart surgery. Everything has gone well and my doctors are pleased with my progress.

People that I talk to want to know how I'm doing and how I'm feeling. So, let me take just a moment of your time to let you know how I'm doing. My heart sustained no damage, that's great, and it means that I will soon be back to 100 percent. The five bypasses all took and are healing very well.



Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Bob Anders
908th Airlift Wing senior chaplain

My question is this, if I had such a shortage of blood to my head, how come I don't feel any smarter, now that I have more blood going up there. I asked the doctor, he just rolled his eyes and left the room.

My strength is returning a little bit at a time, and I should soon be back to my normal operating level. I intend to take my time though, because these old carcasses don't snap back like they once did. My diet is supposed to change, low salt, low fat, no flavor. When the doctor told me all the things I wasn't supposed to eat, I wondered what's left.

All of that is how I'm doing. Some folks want to know how I'm feeling. I have received cards from all over the country, sending greetings and best wishes for a great recovery. I have received

phone calls from all over the world, keeping up to date on how I'm feeling. I have received e-mails from all over the world keeping in touch and checking on me.

Many of you from my 908th family have kept in very close touch and have been monitoring my well being. You have held me up in prayer to the Lord. Your requests to the Father for my healing, are being heard, and I continue to improve.

You have cuddled me close to your heart, and I have felt the warmth and concern. I have felt the grace of the Lord being poured over me in these days in a way that I have never previously experienced.

I have simply opened myself to all of it, and have been the recipient of all these wonders.

How do I feel ... I feel very blessed, very loved, and very cared about. And I have you and the Lord to thank for that.

In deepest gratitude ... Chaplain Bob

End of the line

Congestion, long waits lead to immunization process changes

By Maj. Linda Johnson
908th ASTS

During the recent months the congestion immediately in front of the immunization clinic desk has grown to unmanageable proportions. Increased waiting times, lack of flow, and personnel reporting to the clinic before operating hours has necessitated a change in operations. In order to alleviate the congestion and return personnel to their duties in a timely fashion, the following procedure will be implemented as of the June UTA.

Unless notified, the Immunization Clinic will take place each Saturday of UTA from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. DO NOT ARRIVE EARLY OR LATE. NO ROSTERS WILL BE GENERATED NOR WILL SHOTS BE GIVEN EARLY.

Always check with your unit deployment manager

or designee to pick up your yellow shot record. NO SHOTS WILL BE GIVEN WITHOUT YOUR SHOT RECORD. If you need a new shot record, request it at the sign in desk (Station No. 1). It will be transcribed and sent to your unit deployment manager prior to the next UTA.

The entrance for the immunization area will be through the main clinic door – see diagram. There will be a traffic control person located at the entrance to direct patrons to the appropriate area.

Sign in at Station No. 1, pick up an Immunization Worksheet, Critique, Vaccination Information Sheet, and be seated. While waiting for your name to be called, please fill out the top portion of the Immunization Worksheet. Print all required information legibly.

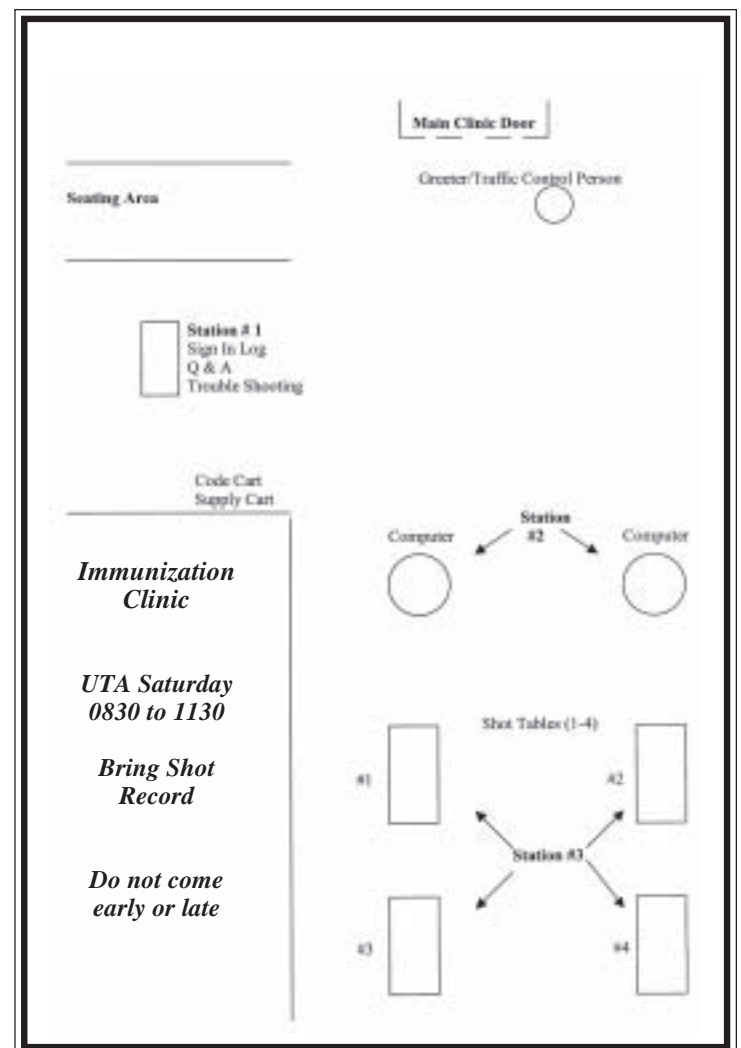
When your name is

called, proceed to Station No. 2. Have your shot record out and your Immunization Worksheet ready. Two computer terminals will be set up for the next stage of the process. Please keep both lines equal, quiet, and orderly.

After leaving the computer area, proceed to the Station No. 3 shot tables as directed. Tables are numbered 1-4. Have your sleeve rolled up, blouse removed (if needed) and your shot record in hand.

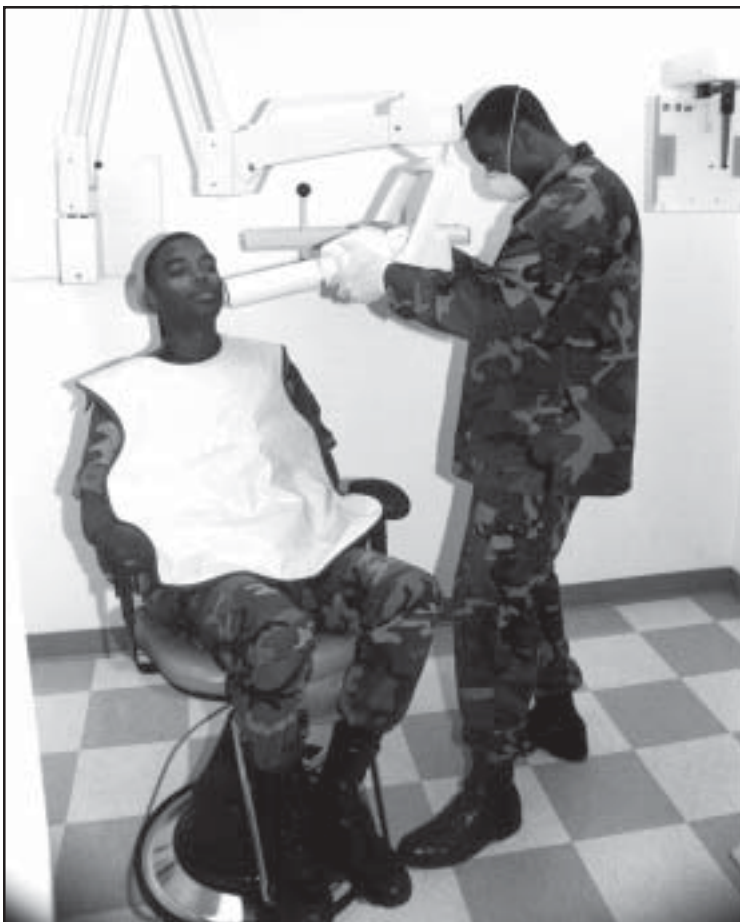
After receiving your shot(s) return to the original seating area to rest for 15 minutes. This observation time is needed in order to monitor for any adverse reactions. Should you feel faint or notice any problems, immediately notify someone at Station No. 1.

Again, your patience is requested for us to maintain a smooth transition during this process.



R-C-P-H-A not just another acronym

Program assesses reservists' health, helps keeps them fit to deploy



Unit member undergoes a dental X-ray.

By Lt. Col. Camille Phillips
908th ASTS Chief of Dental Services

It goes without saying that reservists must be fit to deploy. The Reserve Component Periodic Health Assessment program aims to minimize lost training time due to annual medical requirements.

RCPHA consolidates non-flying physical examinations, occupational health physical examinations, periodic flying and special operational duty physical examinations, suicide risk screening, pre-fitness test screening and military –unique medical requirements.

The process focuses on the individual's risk factors including age, gender, health risk factors, medical history, and military occupation to decide the assessment required.

Scheduling is based on the member's birth month. The squadron schedulers will notify the member 6 months before their birth month. The reservist then goes online at <https://www.wbits.afrc.af.mil> and clicks on the RCPHA logo to complete the Health Risk Assessment.

Completion of the questionnaire is necessary to generate any required tests. The member will see the physician and dentist every 3 years, starting at age 19. The lab work should be done the month prior to the member's scheduled physical. The physician can complete the physical in a timely manner if all test results are available for review.

Annual requirements include the HRA, immu-

nizations and dental. A DD Form 2813 will be used for the civilian dentist in the other 2 years. This form must be returned to the ASTS for updating in the web based program. If a member does not have the annual dental exam, that person becomes class 4 (non-deployable).

Certain tests are required upon attaining a specific age. For example, mammograms are required for women at age 40 and every 3 years after that. Fecal occult blood tests are required at age 52 and every 3 years.

The RCPHA enables the Air Force Medical Service to assess the health of the reserve forces and increases the ability to provide commanders with worldwide deployable personnel.

908ers assist fight against birth defects

Members of the 908th Airlift Wing Walk America 2003 team pose for a group photo prior to the start of the annual March of Dimes event held to raise funds to help fight against birth defects. "I would like to thank all of our walkers and sponsors for their support in making this year's walk a success. This year our team raised \$1296 to help with this worthy cause," said Jasmine Hails, one of the 908th team's lead organizers.



Former vice commander helps S.C. wing reach C-17 milestone

A former longtime 908th Airlift Wing member had a hand in helping Charleston AFB reach a major milestone.

Former 908AW vice commander Brig. Gen. Bob Corley and an all Reserve crew from Charleston AFB's 315th Airlift Wing flew the 102nd production C-17 April 17 from the Boeing plant in Long Beach, Calif., to CAFB, bringing Charleston's fleet total to its full complement, 53.

Corley, a Northwest Airlines pilot in his civilian job, is now a reservist assigned to with the Secretary of the Air Force's Inspector General office in Washington, D.C.

"It flew like a

dream," said General Corley after touching down for a picture-perfect landing in Charleston after the five-hour coast-to-coast flight.

Also along for the delivery were aircrew members representing all three Reserve flying squadrons assigned to the 315th Airlift Wing.

315AW vice commander Col. "J.P." Hall commented that this aircraft and Charleston's first C-17 delivered June 14, 1993, are as different as night and day.

"The navigation and communication system on this aircraft are much more advanced than the earlier version nearly 10 years ago," Colonel Hall said.

There have been 13 "block" changes from the first aircraft until now. A block change is a series of modifications and improvements lumped together into a package.

Another major improvement, Hall said, are the extended range fuel tanks. This capability shortens the crew duty days by eliminating time consuming fuel stops.

P-102 flew its first operational mission April 19 to Rhein Main AB, Germany, in support of the war on terrorism. (Excerpted from an article provided by Senior Master Sgt. Charlie Hall, Jr., 81st Aerial Port Squadron, Charleston AFB, S.C.)



Above, former 908AW vice commander Brig. Gen. Bob Corley completes delivery of Charleston AFB's 53rd and last C-17 aircraft. Below, Corley pauses for a photo opportunity beneath aircraft no. 1102, commemorating the milestone.



Rain fails to dampen Family Day fun



Photos by Jeff Melvin

Zachary Jordan, son of 908AES' Capt. Steve Jordan, is 'too cool for school' as he takes part in some of the children's activities held at the community center May 3.

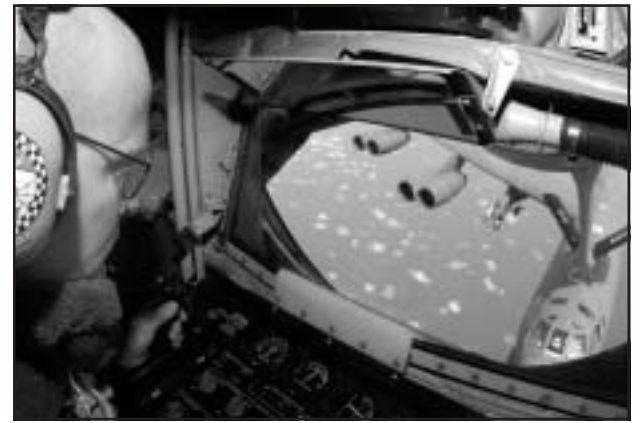


Photo by Tech. Sgt. Richard Freeland

OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM -- Staff Sgt. Bob Spychalski, a KC-135 Stratotanker boom operator, 28th Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron, prepares to refuel a B-52 Stratofortress on its way to Afghanistan, May 7, 2003.

Plan puts AEF back on track, fixes 'disparity'

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The Air Force uses the AEF's standard three-month rotation plan to bring deployment predictability to airmen and their families, but the operational demands of OIF and other requirements forced the service to break out of that mold. The plan is for the AEF deployment schedule to be back on track by early 2004, Peppe said.

To achieve that goal, the Air Force plans to piece together two transitional AEFs to meet deployment combatant commanders' needs into 2004. Manning for these two AEFs will come from the ranks of those who have not deployed this cycle.

"We'll have to find 'green' unit type codes that are properly manned and equipped," Peppe said. "The AEF Center (at Langley Air Force Base, Va.) will work with the (major commands) to identify the personnel and equipment (that are) ready to deploy."

"Everyone who did not deploy needs to be on notice that we may need them to be a part of this rotation, or the next, as we get back to a more normal AEF rhythm," he said.

The numbers of people and types of equipment making up the new AEFs have yet to be determined by combatant commanders. The Air Force's goal is to have new mission requirements defined by the middle of May, Peppe said.

"The effort to define the requirements is ongoing, and we hope to wrap that up soon, because from the time requirements are set and the rotation begins is going to take 45 to 60 days," Peppe said.

As vital as the new mission requirements are to the rotation schedule, the general said patience is just as important.

It is also important deployed airmen know they are not forgotten, Peppe said.

"There is nobody who wants to bring the troops home and start a rotation any more than the secretary of the Air Force and the Air Force chief of staff," he said. "They are acutely aware that those people have been frozen in place, and that some have been there six months or longer."

"We want to get on with the rotation," Peppe said, "but there is a mission at hand, and we will support that mission."



908AW Commander Col. James Stewart (trophy in hand) takes a 'victory lap' accompanied by Commander's Race runner up Col. Christine Laferty.



Staff Sgt. Keith Moore and daughters Zipporah (on shoulders) and Kezia

Guard, Reserve leaders convey retention concerns to Congress

By Master Sgt. Scott Elliott
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON -- The top generals of the Air Force's reserve components told members of the Senate they are concerned about retention in the coming years.

Lt. Gen. Daniel James III, director of the Air National Guard, and Lt. Gen. James E. Sherrard III, chief of Air Force Reserve, met with members of the Senate Appropriations Committee subcommittee on defense May 7 to discuss post-Operation Iraqi Freedom concerns.

James told the senators he is using surveys to gauge the mood of his troops after more than a year of near-constant deployment to OIF and operations Enduring Freedom and Noble Eagle.

"We surveyed at the end of the first year, and I'm pleased to say they're more positive than we thought," he said.

Normally, James said, the ANG expects to lose about 10 percent of its forces each year, but initially anticipated many more might opt to leave this year. The first survey, however, indicates that 13 to 15 percent will choose to retire or separate from the service.

"It's not going to be an issue that will cause much concern right now, but it will

have to be looked at," he said.

James said another survey will be conducted at the end of this year and will continue as long as the operations tempo remains high.

According to Sherrard, the Air Force Reserve is also focused on keeping its numbers up, in both prior-service and new-accession categories.

While the Reserve exceeded its five-year average enlisted-retention rate in fiscal 2002 by retaining 86 percent of its airmen, the general was cautious in terms of the future.

"We want to continue accessing as many prior active service (airmen) as possible," he said. "That gets to be a major challenge for us, when there's Stop-Loss of the active force."

Historically, the Air Force Reserve recruits about 25 percent of eligible separating active-duty airmen. The general expressed concern, however, that Stop-Loss and the continued high operations tempo may negatively affect recruiting.

Sherrard told Alaska Sen. Ted Stevens, ranking member of the subcommittee, that additional retirement incentives could keep experienced airmen in uniform.

"Our key to success is prior-service airmen,

and anything we could do that would retain (them) to the maximum extent possible ... would certainly enhance our ability to keep that experience base that is so critical to help us do our job," he said.

Potential future incentives discussed with Stevens included a retirement credit multiplier for combat duty, long-term mobilization and service beyond the 20-year point. In addition, the general urged senators to examine a change to legislation allowing retirement benefits to be paid before age 60.

According to James, who said 55 percent of ANG airmen are currently performing full-time duty, information on deployment schedules is vital to retention and the Air Guard's mission.

"Predictability is the key," he said. "That's why we established the Air and Space Expeditionary Force concept -- to give predictability to airmen and their families so they would know when they're supposed to deploy. Unfortunately, the predictability part for the reserve component is not as good as it is for the active component."

"Our airmen are very proud to be a part of (OIF), but we don't know what their breaking point is or when it's going to impact on our retention," James said.

Parent Pin honors parents, bolsters support

By 2nd Lt. Lance Patterson
Air Force Reserve Command Public Affairs

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. -- The Air Force announced a program May 5 for airmen to honor some of their biggest supporters -- their parents.

The Air Force Parent Pin program encourages airmen to register at a secure Air Force website -- www.yourguardiansoffreedom.com -- where they can provide the names and addresses of up to two parents or parental figures.

A personalized letter to the parents from Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper will accompany the lapel pins. The pins are about three-fourths inch square and feature a silver letter "P" cradled within the Air Force symbol.

"The program is designed to recognize people who have significantly influenced airmen's lives," said Maj. Gen. John J. Batbie Jr., vice commander of Air Force Reserve Command. "With Mother's Day (May 11) and Father's Day (June 15) coming up soon, the parent pin would make a unique gift this year."

The pins are a contemporary adaptation of the World War II employer flags, which were used to recognize companies for contributions to the war effort. The pins are presented on display cards that explain their lineage.

The letters address recipients and airmen by name. They are intended to communicate to parents the importance of their children's service to the ongoing war on terrorism, to express sincere gratitude for parents' continued support, and to convey a sense of partnership between the Air Force and the parents of America's airmen.

This massive effort comes on the heels of the Air Force's highly successful employer pin program, which represented the first direct-mail outreach effort from the

leaders of any of the armed services to employers across America.

Air Force Reserve Command and Air National Guard airmen voluntarily submitted contact information for more than 61,000 employers, each of whom received an employer pin and a personalized letter from the secretary of the Air Force and the Air Force chief of staff acknowledging them as partners in the war effort.

Air Force leaders have received hundreds of supportive letters and e-mails from employers and airmen because of this program, and today, tens of thousands of employers are wearing Air Force employer pins as pledges of support for the military service of their airmen.

Both the parent and employer pin campaigns are elements of the Air Force's Your Guardians of Freedom program.

"We now have an entire generation of Americans who do not understand the military culture," Roche said. "The parent pin can narrow the gulf between those who serve and the community at large. It opens the door for the parents of our airmen to explain to others what their children are doing for the Air Force and what the Air Force has done for their children."

"It is in the best interest of our nation to develop public understanding of the Air Force's mission and objectives. The parents of our airmen might not always understand our mission, but they nonetheless are helping us meet our objectives through their continuing support of their sons and daughters -- the men and women serving today and those who decide to serve in the future." (AFRC News Service)



Photo by Staff Sgt. C. Todd Lopez

Airmen can now sign up to have a parent pin sent to their parents.



June Unit Training Assembly Schedule

Time	Time	Event	Location/OPR
Friday, June 6, 2003			
1630	1900	Commanders' Staff Meeting	Bldg. 1056/CC Conference Room
Saturday, June 7, 2003			
0730	0800	Sign In	Orderly Room
0730	0800	Newcomers' Flight Reception	Bldg. 1056/Rm 101/DPMT
0800	0830	Newcomers' Intro/Orientation	Bldg. 1056/Rm 101/DPMT
0800	1100	Lab Work/DNA/HIV/Blood Testing	Bldg. 760/Lab
0820	1500	Physicals	Bldg. 760/First Floor
0830	1030	Shots (Yellow Fever, 1030-1130)	Bldg. 760/First Floor
0830	0900	Pregnancy Profiles/Weight Waivers/ Fitness for Duty (must have DD Form 689)	Bldg. 711/Records Room
0830	1030	Anthrax Briefings (30 min.)	Bldg. 760/First Floor
0830	1230	NBC Defense Training	Bldg. 1154/Rm 119
0830	TBD	Units at Range M-16 (Classroom)	Firing Range/SFS/Combat Arms
0830	1100	M-41 Mask Fit	Bldg. 1055/Rm 1
0900	1000	Security Managers Meeting	Bldg. 1056/CC Conf. Room
0930	1000	TDY/PCS Out-Processing	Bldg. 1056/Rm 111, DPMSA
00930	1030	Unit Deployment Managers' Mtg	Bldg. 1056/Cmd Chief's Conf Rm
1030	1130	First Sergeants' Meeting	Golf Course Snack Bar
1200	1600	Gas Mask/A1 Bag Issue	Bldg. 848/West Side
1200	TBD	TableTop Exercise	Various Workcenters
1230	1530	CDC Testing (Course 5/12/SNCOA CD Rom Only)	Bldg. 903/DPMT
1300	1400	HRDC	Bldg. 1056/CC Conf. Room
1300	1500	Newcomers' MPF In-Processing	Bldg. 1056/Rm 101/DPMS
1330	1730	NBC Defense Training	Bldg. 1154/Rm 119
1330	1400	Fitness for Duty (Must have DD Form 689)	Bldg. 711/Records Room
1700	TBD	Sign Out	Orderly Room

Sunday, June 8, 2003			
0630	0700	Sign in	SOC, Bldg. 1403, Polifka Auditorium
070 0	0800	Wing Commander's Call	SOC, Bldg. 1403, Polifka Auditorium
0830	1230	NBC Defense Training	Bldg. 1154/Rm 119
0800	1100	Gas Mask/A1 Bag Issue	Bldg. 848/West Side
0830	TBD	SFS at Range M-16 (Classroom)	Firing Range/SFS/Combat Arms
0830	1130	Hazardous Cargo Training	TBD
0830	1130	Pallet Build-up/Joint Inspection	25APS (Various locations)
0830	0900	Fitness For Duty (Must have DD Form 689)	Bldg. 711/Records Rm
0900	1000	Quaterly Self-Inspection Monitors Mtg	Bldg. 1056/CC Conf Room
0900	0930	Worship Service (Recommended)	Bldg. 846/Classroom 2/25 APS
0930	1000	EPR Training	Bldg. 1056/CC Conf Room
1000	1030	Worship Service (Recommended)	Bldg. 848/Classroom/COM Flight
1000	1100	Career Advisors' Meeting	Bldg. 846/DPMSC
1000	1030	Awards/Decorations Training	Bldg. 1056/CC Conf Room
1100	1130	Worship Service (Recommended)	Bldg. 1056/Rm. 101/DPMT
1130	1230	SORTS/Commander Meeting	Bldg. 1056/CC Conf Room/CC
1130	1230	Chiefs' Group Meeting	Bldg. 1461
1200	1500	Gas Mask/A1 Bag Issue	Bldg. 848/West Side
1230	1530	CDC Testing	Bldg. 903/DPMT Classroom
1300	1400	Honor Guard Meeting	Bldg. 1056/Cmd. Chief's Office
1330	1400	Fitness For Duty (Must have DD Form 689)	Bldg. 711/Records Rm
1330	1430	UTA Bulletin Meeting	Bldg. 1056/CC Conf. Room
1430	1500	Worship Service (Recommended)	Bldg. 1055/Classroom 2/CES
1600	TBD	Sign-out	Orderly Room

Support functions' schedule

Activity	Dates & hours of operation		Location/Ext.
MPF Customer Service	Sat, 0800-1200	Sun, 0900-1000	Bldg. 1056/3-5522
		Sun, 1200-1600	Bldg. 1056/3-5522
ID Cards	M-F, 0630-1630	Sun, 0800-1100	Bldg. 1056/3-5522
	Sat, 0800-1200	Sun, 1200-1600	Bldg. 1056/3-5522
Reserve Pay	M-F, 0700-1100;	Sat, 0800-1600	Bldg. 1056/3-6722
	1200-1600		
Individual Equipment	Sat, 0800-1530		Bldg. 1154/3-6020
Clothing Sales	Sat, 0900-1500		Bldg. 851/3-7505
Restricted Area Badges	M-F, 0630-1600	Sun, 1200-1500	Bldg. 84/3-4283
Vehicle Registration	M- F, 0730-1600	Sun, 1200-1500	Bldg. 84/3-4283
Geneva Convention Cards	M-F, 0730-1600	Sun, 1200-1500	Bldg. 84/3-4283
Dining Hall	Sat, 0600-0930	Sun, 0600-0930	Bldg. 668/3-5127
	1100-1300	1100-1300	
	1600-1830	1600-1830	
Lodging office/reservations (lodging problems, contact 908th rep via lodging front desk)			Bldg. 1573/3-2401
Photo lab	M-F, 0730-1630	Sun, 1300-1500	Bldg. 926/3-7981

FY03 Unit Training Assembly Dates

July 12-13; Aug. 9-10; Sept. 6-7

June UTA Lodging

To access the Lodging Reservation System, please follow these instructions:

- * Make reservations, cancellations or changes at least 24 hours prior to arrival.
- * Call Maxwell at 1-800-673-9356
- * Input your unit's authorization code
- * Dial the system at 3-8557 or 3-8558
- * The system will ask for your SSAN, which you will input with the telephone keypad
- * The system will ask for your personal ID number, followed by the "#" sign. (PIN is available through your First Sergeant or Services 3-7332)
- * The system will ask if you would like to make, change, or cancel a reservation.
- * To make a reservation, input arrival date and then departure date.
- * You will be asked if the reservation is ADT, IDT, or both (ADT: Annual Tour, Mandays, Special Tour) (IDT: UTA, AFTP, RMP, Make-up UTA)
- * If this is a scheduled UTA weekend, the system will tell you where you will be staying
- * If you cancel or change a reservation, you will be prompted for a phone number.
- * **The confirmation number you receive is for 908th Services use only.**

Note: You can also call the system direct DSN or Commercial. The numbers are: DSN 493-8557/8558 or COMM: (334) 953-8557/8558.

If you have a question please contact Master Sgt. Byron Godwin at:

Commercial: (334) 953-7332

DSN:493-7332

E-mail: byron.godwin@maxwell.af.mil

Emergency cell: (334) 657-1304

Notice! Checkout time at Maxwell Lodging for the June UTA is 0800 Sunday. If you do not have time to go to the front desk, and do not have a phone charge, there will be a key drop box located in Bldg. 157 (Main Lodging) for your convenience. Please do not use this box if you have any charges on your bill. In accordance with AFI 34-246 **smoking is not permitted in lodging rooms.** You may be charged a minimum of \$50 for cleaning for violating this AFI.

Airlift will be lodged at the Hampton Inn, Prattville.

Airlift Schedule

Aurora Airlift

UTA pick-up schedule Friday:

Depart Maxwell at 1600 local
Arrive Aurora at 1800 local
Depart Aurora at 1830 local
Arrive Maxwell at 2030 local

UTA return schedule Sunday:

Bus departs Bldg. 1056 at 1530

Depart Maxwell at 1600 local
Arrive Aurora at 1830 local
Depart Aurora at 1845 local
Arrive Maxwell at 2100 local

Huntsville/Dobbins Airlift

UTA pick-up schedule Friday:

Depart Maxwell at 1700 local
Arrive Dobbins at 1845 local
Depart Dobbins at 1915 local
Arrive Huntsville at 1845 local
Depart Huntsville at 1915 local
Arrive Maxwell at 1945 local

UTA return schedule Sunday:

Depart Maxwell at 1600 local
Arrive Huntsville at 1645 local
Depart Huntsville at 1700 local
Arrive Dobbins at 1845 local
Depart Dobbins at 1900 local
Arrive Maxwell at 1845 local

Take Note



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Mid-level enlisted leaders graduate

908MSG Tech. Sgt. Stephanie Rudolph accepts a certificate and congratulations from 908AW Commander Col. James Stewart in recognition of completing the latest session of the NCO Leadership Development Program May 9. Also graduating were Tech. Sgts. Lisa Garrett, AES, Clinton Jackson, ASTS and Gregory Benjamin, Anthony Crosman and Lisa Norris, APS; and Staff Sgts. Keith Moore, MSG, Dondrea Williams, MXG, Charles Daum Jr. and Quadro Smith, AES, Daphne Scully, APS. NCOLDP is designed for mid-level enlisted personnel (E-4 minimum grade), preferably before or during the time that they are supervisors, offering college credit and hands-on experience in leadership and management.

Congratulations to the following people:

Promotions

....to Master Sergeant
Tyrone Duncan, 25APS
Allen Floyd III, AMS
Milton Johnson, CES
Ronnie Patterson, AES
Carol Walters, AES
to Technical Sergeant
Timothy Dixon, MXS
Joe Dumas, CF
Oliver Everroad III, SFS
Clinton Jackson Jr., ASTS
Mark Hill, 25APS
Patrick Oldacre, SF
to Staff Sergeant
Paul Boschan, AMS
Gregory Davis, MXS
Jason Dunn, SFS
Daphne Scully, 25APS

....to Senior Airman
Kristopher Adams, ASTS
Keyana Burnett, ASTS
Sherri Denson, ASTS
Josephine Dixon, ASTS
Richard Gilchrist Jr., 25APS
Heather Kitchens, MXS
Tron Sutherland, ASTS
to Airman First Class
Dwayne Guice, MXS
Damion Howell, MSS
Julian McCord, SFS
Jori Thomas, SF
to Airman
Mark Culpepper, SFS
Derric Hall, AMS
Darren Sankey, CES

Three units need first sergeants

WANTED: Highly motivated NCOs to fill First Sergeant vacancies in the 908th Maintenance; 908th Aircraft Maintenance and 908th Logistics Readiness Squadrons.

If interested in applying for one of these challenging and rewarding positions, submit your military resume to 908MSS/DPMSA-E (Chief Master Sgt. Annie Cantrell) NO LATER THAN close of business, Sunday, June 8. An interview board will be conducted during the July UTA (Service Dress Uniform), with follow up commander interviews during the August UTA.

Governing directives: AFI 36-2113 Chap 11 and AFMAN 36-2108

Special Duty Summary: Principal advisor to the commander on all issues related to the enlisted force. Exercises general supervision over assigned enlisted personnel.

Special Duty Qualifications: Knowledge is mandatory of personnel management with emphasis on quality force indicators, personnel and administration; military training; Air Force organization; drill and ceremonies; customs and courtesies; sanitation and hygiene; military justice; and counseling techniques.

Physical Profile minimums: P3 U3 L3 H2 E3 S1 XG — also able to speak distinctly.

Other requirements:

- ◆ ASVAB score of Admin 45 or General 58
- ◆ Prior qualification at the 7- or 9-skill level in any AFSC. Applicants must complete command NCO Academy in residence or by correspondence prior to application. Selectees must attend the AFRC First Sergeant Academy, in residence, within one year from date of assignment. This requirement can't be waived.
- ◆ Be an E-7 or above or eligible for promotion to E-7. Upon appointment to first sergeant-on the next promotion cycle), the individual must be promoted to master sergeant (if not already).
- ◆ Eligibility questions may be directed to Chief Master Sgt. Cantrell at (334) 953-5525.



'Dream Machine' hopes to attract young aviation enthusiasts

The "Dream Machine," piloted by reservist Ed Hamill, will perform in air shows across the country in 2003, aiming to increase the awareness of the command and attract young men and women interested in aviation. Hamill, a private contractor in civilian life, owns and operates the Air Force Reserve Above & Beyond Aerobatic Team, "Living the Dream." He spent 10 years on active duty in the Air Force, accumulating more than 2,500 flying hours, including F-16 instructor pilot and combat time over Bosnia and Iraq. Hamill began his aerobatic career in 1998, two years before separating from the Air Force. He has flown in air shows

and aerobatic competitions, including three U.S. National Aerobatic Championships. He is currently a member of the Air Force Reserve Command Unit Program and continues to fly F-16s, instructing future F-16 fighter pilots at Luke AFB, Ariz. Upcoming shows and dates are: Van Nuys Aviation Expo, Van Nuys, Calif., June 21-22; St. Louis Air Show, St. Louis, Mo., July 3-5; Robins AFB Air Show, Robins AFB, Ga., Sept. 6-7; Naval Air Station Mayport Air Show, Jacksonville, Fla., Oct 25-26; and Randolph AFB Open House, Randolph AFB, Texas, Nov 1-2. (AFRC News Service)

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